

Loss of Millions Expected If Bill Is Passed

Several million dollars of property to San Mateo county is expected if the Spalding bill is passed in the legislature. The loss will be most in school districts which are affected by the plans of the county to annex large tracts of land to the county. The bill is being sponsored by Mr. Alton and if passed would allow the county to annex territory to the school districts of the county. The reply of the county is as follows:

but every county fund which has been receiving taxes from this territory would suffer from the removal of territory from its tax rolls. In view of the efforts which are being put forth to further the bill, the municipal and civic organizations of the county have begun an active campaign for its defeat. The board of trustees of this city last Monday went on record as being unalterably opposed to the measure, and asked City Attorney Mansfield to draw up resolutions against the bill which will be sent to every municipality in this district. Mansfield will also go to Sacramento to work against the passage of the bill.

Other municipalities of the county have also taken measures against the bill. The two representatives of this county in the legislature, Senator M. B. Johnson and Assemblyman Harry Parkman have promised to oppose the bills in their respective organizations.

COUNTY C. OF C. IS ORGANIZED

A report of the formal organization of the San Mateo County Chamber of Commerce was delivered to the board of supervisors of this county Monday by Fred H. Drake of San Carlos. Drake was one of the five men appointed by the board of supervisors at a previous meeting to form a county chamber of commerce in this county. The other members of the committee appointed were: Ira H. Potter, M. J. Bettencourt, J. D. Bromfield and Eric M. Alsford.

Drake reported that the committee had met for a formal organization and had elected himself as president. The other officers of the newly organized body, he stated, were: Ira H. Potter, of South San Francisco, vice-president; M. J. Bettencourt, of Halfmoon Bay, secretary; and John D. Bromfield of Burlingame, secretary.

The report filed with the supervisors set forth the objects of the formation of this body as follows: To induce immigration of a desirable class of citizens. To secure manufactures, industries and home builders.

To bring about the settlement, cultivation and improvement of all lands in the county to the fullest extent.

Drake stated that the county chamber of commerce was willing to work under the instructions of the board of supervisors. He further stated that on January 24 a special meeting would be held for the reception of applications for the position of secretary and manager.

ANNOUNCES COMMITTEE

Chairman John MacBain of the county board of supervisors last Monday announced his committee for the coming term. MacBain's appointments were as follows:

Relief home and farm—MacBain, Thompson and Hickey. Courthouse and jail—Francis, Hickey and Brown. Supplies—Brown, MacBain, Francis.

Community Hospital—MacBain, Thompson, Hickey.

Dumbarton Transbay Bridge to Open Today

Delegation from Down Town Association and from peninsula cities plan visit to new structure in celebration of opening of first bridge across bay channel

Plans have been announced this week by the Down Town Association of San Francisco for a formal opening of the Dumbarton Bridge, the first bridge to span San Francisco bay which will be opened for the first time today. A procession of automobiles will start from San Francisco at about 3 o'clock this afternoon. This will be augmented by parties from civic organizations of each community the caravan passes through. A large delegation will join the procession here and the caravan will visit the bridge. The Redwood City chamber of commerce is anxious that Redwood City, being the city which will receive the greatest benefit from the bridge, should be properly represented. Other delegations will visit the bridge from the eastern entrance.

The bridge itself was completed some time ago, but owing to the unsettled weather conditions which have prevailed for some weeks, the completion of the approaches to the bridge proper was delayed. These are now completed, and the filling of the roadway has been in progress this week. A construction crew is now busy building a strong guard fence along the sides of the roadway.

The builders of the bridge expect that at least 2000 cars will make the trip across the bridge today. Great interest has been shown throughout the bay district in the opening of the bridge, and thousands of visitors are expected to view the new structure today.

The bridge proper is of steel construction, and is of the lift type. The structure consists of nine steel spans of 222 feet and 122 girder spans of 335 feet each. The lift span is electrically operated and lifts 168 feet. The total length of the steel structure is about one mile. This is connected with the shore at each end by filled in approaches, making a total length of about six miles. The bridge represents an outlay of \$2,000,000.

This toll bridge, constituting the first answer to the demand for highway communication across San Francisco bay, provides a new outlet from San Francisco and the peninsula to the eastbay region and San Joaquin Valley highways. The principal interest of the motorist in the bridge, from the point of view of touring in the bay region, the association points out, is that it provides a more direct connection between

the highways which skirt both sides of the bay. — Commercially, the bridge will be of advantage to San Francisco and the upper part of the San Joaquin Valley by providing a shorter all-highway route between San Francisco and Livermore and Tracy.

With the completion of the Bay Shore Highway down the peninsula and the construction of a connecting link from this highway to the bridge, paralleling the Southern Pacific railroad at this point, these benefits will be even more pronounced. For the benefit of motorists seeking information on new routes available when the bridge is opened, the Automobile Association has compiled the following data:

At present the western terminus of the bridge will be connected with the highway down the peninsula by roads from Menlo Park and from Palo Alto. There is a road from the eastern terminus of the bridge to Newark, Alameda county, and paved highway thence to Centerville and Niles.

The bridge route distance between Menlo Park and Centerville or Niles, will be fifteen and a half miles shorter than the present highway route via Mountain View, Alviso and Milpitas. Points on the Peninsula highway from Menlo Park north will be more than seven miles closer to Livermore on the valley highway.

The distance from Livermore to Menlo Park via Niles Canyon and the bridge will be a little less than 38 miles as compared to a little over 45 miles via Sunol, Mission San Jose and the Mountain View-Alviso cut-off.

The bridge toll rates are fixed in the franchise granted by the board of supervisors of San Mateo county and are based on a charge of five cents per person and thirty cents for a five passenger car or a truck of one-ton capacity.

The bridge is the direct result of the activities of a few citizens of this district, notable among them being Supervisor John MacBain of Menlo Park and Frank K. Towne of this city. The leading part in the work of securing this bridge for San Mateo county was taken by the Redwood City Chamber of Commerce. The idea of a bay bridge at this point of the bay is an old one. More than fifty years ago the scheme seemed to be ripe for actual development and the town of Ravenswood sprang up as the result. This

intention of music in the rural schools of the county, has tendered her resignation to Miss Pansy Jewett Abbott, county superintendent of schools. It is to become effective on January 30. Miss Brown has accepted a position as assistant director of music in the school system of Pasadena.

At the meeting of the Congregational church Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Donald Williams, who are leaving on the 20th of this month for a tour of Europe, were presented with gifts which will be of service to them on their travels. Mr. and Mrs. Williams are most active members of this church, and the tokens given them are in recognition of their service.

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GEO. WALKER IS APPOINTED AS COMMISSIONER

The appointment of George S. Walker as state building and loan commissioner by Governor C. C. Young meets with the approbation of the people of San Mateo County and the state in general. Mr. Young may be congratulated upon his excellent selection.

Mr. Walker had been the building commissioner for many years under the Richardson administration and had always shown ability and particular liking for the work. He was supported for the appointment by all the building and loan associations of the state who knew his fitness for the office.

Mr. Walker formerly represented Santa Clara County in the state assembly where he became acquainted with the present governor who at once recognized his ability and honor.

Mr. Walker at one time sought the nomination in this district against J. Hayes of San Jose for congress but was defeated by Mr. Hayes who was then the incumbent.

POST OFFICE TO EXTEND RURAL ROUTE 1 ON MONDAY

On Monday next, the local post office will extend the rural route number one to take in Selby lane, thus improving the mail facilities for thirty-seven families. Heretofore these residents of that district were served by the Redwood City post office.

The postoffice department at Washington is authorizing the amendment to the route did so at the request of Congressman George S. Walker. A movement is on foot to route the mail to the base of the hill through the local office in Palo Alto. The address of the post office would then be Menlo Park and should be, in place of the present address.

The affair will be as a result of the new pastor of St. Peter's parish, Rev. Thomas. The church is anxious to have every family in the parish represented at this dinner.

The Los Angeles flyer, No. 70, which collided with an automobile at the Hull crossing near San Carlos at 10 o'clock yesterday night. The driver of the flyer jumped before the approach of the speeding train and escaped injury. The cow catcher of the engine scooped up the car and carried it several hundred feet before it was dented. The automobile was demolished.

The Mount Carmel Men's club will give a card party at the headquarters of the club on January 15. Prizes are to be given to the winner of the game. A large attendance is expected at the event.

John Kreiss, who was badly hurt some weeks ago while acting as traffic officer and was unable to work, was discharged from the hospital and is now at home. He is expected to be able to return to work in a few days.

The jury was in session during the week attending to important matters. The jury is expected to adjourn some time during the latter part of the month.

Rev. Henry B. Thomas, recently chaplain at Princeton University, New Jersey, has come to residence as pastor of St. Peter's Episcopal church. Mr. Thomas is a Californian, but has spent the last five years in the east, where he was on the staff of Mount Carmel church, Baltimore, and the last two years at Princeton.

The possibility of growth and development in the parish life of St. Peter's church have encouraged Mr. Thomas to stay on in charge of the work. He is having visited the church for several Sundays and he has moved into the rectory at 175 Hudson street with his family.

Mr. Thomas was born and raised in Berkeley, where he now resides. He is an eloquent speaker and a hard worker and will build up the parish here. Mr. Thomas has youth and energy and is capable of surmounting difficulties and mastering the task that is the lot of the clergyman.

USE WRENCH ON NUT Use of pliers instead of a wrench on a nut on your car, according to the Free Emergency Road Service of the California State Automobile Association, wears down the nut so that often you cannot use a wrench on it.

COUNTY COUNCIL BOY SCOUTS HOLD MEETING

Jas. D. Hedge and F. W. Thompson were local delegates to San Mateo County Council of Boy Scouts at a meeting held in Burlingame last Monday night.

Plans were made to finance an extension of the Scout Training Camp in Memorial Park. Last season's success at the camp, when 175 boys of this county took part, has encouraged Scout leaders to seek quarters for 400 for 1927. This will need an added amount of bedding, tents, platforms, tables and dishes to accommodate the increase, and a budget of \$8,200.00 was fixed at this meeting.

An added feature to the Scout program was the suggestion of obtaining the services of a Scout Field Executive on full time instead of the part time official as at present to properly handle the large number of troops now in the county.

Note—(This county stands 100 per cent in the national statistics for efficiency and accomplishment, along with four other counties.)

The Council has delegated a committee in each town to raise their funds in their own way. Redwood has pledged \$1000.00 and most of this will be raised by a benefit game between the basketball teams of our local firemen and police department and a Scout night at the Sequoia Theatre during National Scout week, February 8 to 15th.

A meeting was held last night of local Scout leaders and enthusiasts to plan a campaign.

PLANS SUBMITTED FOR ADDITION TO COUNTY HOSPITAL

Plans for an addition to be made to the San Mateo county tubercular pavilion at the community hospital were submitted to the board of supervisors Monday by W. H. Toepke, architect for the building. Toepke submitted two plans, one calling for an addition of 12 bed capacity and the other for 16 beds. The difference, he stated would cost in the neighborhood of \$4000. After discussing the matter, the board decided to have the larger addition built. Toepke was, therefore, instructed to go ahead with the work on this plan.

WOODSIDE

The envy of all his schoolmates, Norman Macdonald has "gone to sea". What romance still lingers in that expression! Although the run to Honolulu on a Matson liner does not offer the same opportunities for adventure and excitement and prize money as a run around the Horn in a clipper ship of the old days, the freedom and charm of the restless, ever changing sea is there with the spice of danger and excitement too that will never lose its appeal to the boy whose blood circulates as it should in youth.

The Parent-Teacher Association held a box supper at the old school house on Monday evening which was well attended notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather. After the supper, games were played to the great amusement of those present. It is planned to hold a similar meeting once a month.

Mrs. W. B. Brown left here on Friday for a month's stay at Santa Barbara. On Thursday she attended a birthday party given to her grand-daughter, Elizabeth Vincent, at Burlingame.

Mrs. Joseph L. Ross, Jr., has spent this week with her mother, Mrs. Henry Martens, in San Francisco.

Mrs. James Eva of San Francisco, was the guest of Mrs. Fred Mighall on Wednesday.

George Bogle is planning to build a home for himself and his bride on his property fronting on Alhambra avenue.

The La Honda stage collided with a Stafford and Long delivery wagon on Wednesday afternoon, directly in front of the Woodside church. The stage was badly damaged.

Miss Louise K. Brown, supervisor of music, paid her last visit to the local school on Wednesday. She leaves during the coming week to enter the school department at Pasadena.

Three children of Tony Zaepfel are in bed with the measles, and several cases of mumps have recently been reported.

Short News Items

The engagement of Miss Mable Corwin and Emil Steinger, both of this city, was announced this week. Miss Corwin is the daughter of Mrs. Ida Corwin of this city and is a teacher in the Central school. Mr. Steinger is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Steinger of San Francisco and is a carpenter.

The final examinations were given to the grade children of the county on Monday and Tuesday of this week. Graduation from the schools will take place next Friday. Applicants from Redwood City, Menlo Park, and Ravenswood were given the examinations in the Intermediate school here.

John W. Murphy, who has been a salesman for the realty firm of Whitcomb & Smith in this city for some time has opened an office of his own this week.

Roy Hoberger, district manager of the Y. M. C. A., has let a contract to Harry Groom for the construction of a five-room house on the lot adjoining Frank K. Towne's residence. Groom has sold his residence on Hudson street and will build a house for himself next to Hoberger's.

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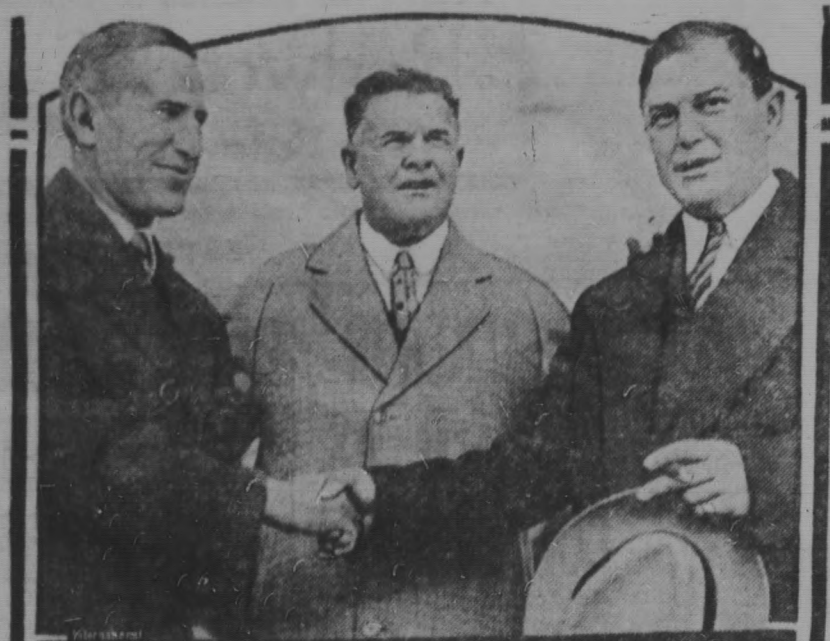
Coolidge is a regular attendant at church. Harding, Wilson, Roosevelt, McKinley, Harrison, Garfield, Lincoln, Washington were men of faith, and worshipped God in His sanctuary. The church offers you the ultimate in strength, inspiration, service. It will pay you to get the facts.

Pastor's theme, Sunday, Jan. 16th.—
"THE ULTIMATE IN STRENGTH" 11:00 a. m.
"VISIONARY PEOPLE" 7:30 p. m.

Enjoy	MEN'S BIBLE CLASS	
Don't Miss	Divine Worship	6:30
Attend	Invigorating Epworth League	11:00
Visit	7:30 HAPPY HOUR	8:30

The Methodist Episcopal Church
"The Church at the Center"
Brewster and Broadway Aubrey H. Clark, Pastor

Three Great Football Coaches



Three of the country's greatest football coaches met in Los Angeles recently, when Howard Jones (left), mentor of the University of Southern California team, greeted his brother, Tad Jones (right), Yale coach, and Glenn "Pop" Warner (center), Stanford coach, on their arrival in Los Angeles.

Gridiron Stars Playing Superb Game at Hockey

Some of the new professionalized hockey players are stars of the gridiron, banished from the game because there is no place for amateur outlaws in football in Canada.

Rugby players starring on the ice include Charlie Dinsmore, Eddie Gerard, Duncan Munro, Nelson Stewart and Babe Siebert of Montreal Maroons; Lionel Conacher, Roger Smith and Duke McCurry, of Pittsburgh; Billy Brydie, Jess Spring, Leo Bourgauff and Bill Carson, of Toronto St. Patrick's; Billy Boucher and Aurel Joliet, of Montreal Canadiens; Billy Burch and Charlie Langiers, of New York Americans; King Clancy, George Boucher, Alex Smith and Hobley Smith, of Ottawa Senators; Babe Dye, of Chicago, and Frank Boucher, of the New York Rangers. Dye has some outlet in hockey's off season when he covets as an International league baseball star, while Conacher is being tried out by Toronto Leafs.

Prominent Sportsman



An especially posed portrait of Maj. William Kennelly, president of the New York Athletic club and one of the nation's best-known sportsmen.

Connie Mack Had Clever Stunt to Fool Umpires

It was a clever ruse on the part of Connie Mack, present manager of the Philadelphia Athletics, that caused the abrogation of the rule that a foul tip caught by the catcher retired the batter. Connie, then catching for the Washington team in the National league, was just as canny as a catcher as he since has proven himself to be as a manager.

It got to be a regular practice on the part of Connie, who thought it all out himself, to snap the fingers of his right hand against the tip of his catcher's mitt as the batter would swing at a ball, making it sound to the umpire for all the world like a foul tip. For awhile even the batter himself was deceived, and invariably he would be declared out by the umpire. Once this deception was discovered, however, a rule was incorporated that a foul must go at least ten feet in the air or ten feet away from the batter's box before the catch of the foul would retire the batter. After that Connie's cleverness at imitating a foul tip was of no avail.

Kenan Gives \$275,000 for a Tarheel Stadium

A gift of \$275,000 for the construction of a football stadium at the University of North Carolina, has been made by William Rand Kenan, Jr., of New York, president of the Florida East Coast railway, Dr. H. W. Chase, president of the university, announces. The stadium will seat 24,000 persons and construction will begin immediately. The plans call for its completion in time for the opening of the football season next year.

The gift is in memory of the late Mary Hargrove and William Rand Kenan, mother and father of the donor, and it will be known as the Kenan Memorial stadium.

Sign Two Pirate Coaches

Jewel Ens and Oscar Stangas signed contracts to coach the Pittsburgh National league baseball team next season. Ens has been with the Pirates as a player and coach since 1922. Stangas, veteran big leaguer, was manager of the Evansville Three-I team last year. He was the Detroit first string catcher from 1908 until 1921. The next year he played with Sacramento, Calif., and then, after a year's lay-off, went to Toronto in 1924. In case of emergency he might be called on.

Three Americans Given Places on Oxford Teams

With the promotion of Charles F. Darlington, Jr., of Mount Kisco, N. Y., to the first rowing squad at Oxford, America now has two representatives on that group for the first time in many years.

Darlington, who rowed on the Harvard varsity crew for two years, was given a seat in Crew B of the Oxford university trial eights, following a short period of preliminary work. The other American is H. T. Kingsbury, who was given a seat on Crew A some time ago.

America also added another Oxford athletic triumph to its list when W. E. Lingebach, Jr., of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, captured the University freshman's tennis championship.

Lingebach's victory came only after a gruelling match, strewn with L. W. Meadley, an English student from University college.

Sport Notes

Baseball is the most popular sport in Cuba.

The American Olympic association is represented by 63 sports organizations.

Football is a wonder whose leg it's broken.

Charles Rowe Moese has been elected captain of Princeton's 1927 football team.

King Christian of Denmark has the reputation among his own people of being their foremost marksman.

Jack Beresford, Jr., has won the Diamond Sculls in the Henley regatta, in England, three times.

Canada has one golf course for every 10,000 inhabitants; in the United States there is one for every 25,703 people.

Philip Ost, captain of the Haskell Indian school cross-country team and a Pima Indian, is recognized as one of the greatest runners in the United States.

Miss Frances Rhett, of Manchester, England, has a record of lifting 105 pounds above her head with her little finger and 104 pounds with one hand.

Bill Carrigan and Heinie Wagner are to return to the Red Sox, Heinie being tagged by mistake for second base.

The Chinese in China have taken enthusiastically to baseball, tennis, soccer, running, cycling and basketball. The game of golf has no attraction for them.

Roland Locke, University of Nebraska sprinter, who has been tying records, is ambitious to become a lawyer. He has two more years to go before completing his studies.

The Iveyside park swimming pool, near Altoona, Pa., is the largest in the world. It is 185 feet wide by 625 feet long. It accommodates 8,000 persons with full bathing house facilities.

The University of Iowa swimming pool, where the National Collegiate A. A. meet will be held next April, is made up of five tanks in one and is the only American university possessing a high-diving apparatus.

Sylvester Sloman, Milwaukee third baseman, who recently lost three fingers on his left hand in an accident at a furniture factory where he was employed, intends to remain in baseball. He proposes to become a pitcher.

The proposed tug of war between freshmen and sophomores at Princeton university has been called off due to the high cost of rope. It is said a suitable rope would have to be 1,000 feet long, three inches thick, and cost \$1,000.

At an election of stockholders of the Mobile club of the Southern league, held recently, J. C. Wilkins, was chosen as president and Milton Stock, who finished the past season as manager of the team, was selected to again lead the Bears.

Fernandina, Fla., has the only natural ocean front golf course in America, the beautiful sand dunes forming fairways, bunkers and traps, the greens and grass having been planted on the government reservation immediately adjacent.

BREAST SHOT IS MOST EFFECTIVE

Used by Teams With So-Called Crisscross Offense.

Teams that use the so-called criss cross offense usually have as their team shot the breast shot. The player stops abruptly in a run, front foot pointing toward the basket, in a slight crouch. He holds the ball at his chest with fingers and thumbs, palms free, behind the ball. Wrists are straight, elbows in, hands, arms, legs and the whole body come into play when the shot is made. As the ball is delivered the hands point toward the basket, palms away from the face, arms, body and legs extended in a complete "follow through."

Somewhat similar is the wrist-propelled chest shot. This is probably the fastest long shot in general use, and one every player should know. writes Mitchell V. Charnley in the American Boy. The ball is held at the chest, fingers slightly behind the ball's center. The power in the shot comes from a sudden snap of the arms, wrists and hands, with both arms following through behind the ball. Body and leg position aren't a part of this shot, ordinarily; and there are a dozen variations. A valuable one is that letting a man shoot from a running position. He shoots the ball away at the highest point in a jump.

The underhand "loop shot" isn't much used any more, because guarding is becoming so efficient. If you're depending a good deal on such a shot, you'd do well to substitute one of the breast shots for it.

Last year Coach H. B. Tabor of the Benton Township (Ill.) high school had on his team a forward who was particularly good at long shots. More over, he came up to the basket for his shot like a flash, and seemed to have all the making of a fine short shot man. But Coach Tabor found that invariably this forward—Carmel Ross was his name—executed one part of the shot badly, and missed many baskets.

Ross always made his jump at the basket for a short shot more like a broad jump than a high jump. He would pass under the basket almost before he had heaved the ball at the hoop, and because of this style he had to pitch it from a distance of several feet instead of from the very rim. Moreover, he always tried to turn in the air so as to come back onto the floor for the rebound.

So Coach Tabor gave Ross, and others on the team who had the same fault, hours of drill in the proper method of executing a short shot. He taught Ross, a right-handed player, to take off from his left foot at just the proper distance from the basket. He taught him to make use of the extra inches the cross-body stretch gave him—the added height he got by taking off from the left foot and shooting with the right hand extended up at full length. Ross learned to go almost straight up; to give the ball a little overhand shove at the highest point of the jump and "lay" it in the basket; to throw his shoulders back a little to break his forward speed. He learned to send the ball off the tips of his fingers and thumb, palm to the front, and to shoot it only five or six inches above the basket.

And he learned to pivot back onto the floor, instead of trying to turn in the air. The turn was bad, because it prevented the complete follow-through the short shot demands. Besides, the short shot is supposed to be successful, and its execution must be based on the theory that it will be. So the turn isn't necessary.

Ross soon found that, rightly handled, it was successful. Any fellow can do the same thing.

Ritola Keeps Busy



Photo shows Willie Ritola, Finnish distance runner and probably the best of his class now in America, working hard at his trade, away from the clatter of track. After working hours the Finn has been seen at New York cinder paths preparing himself for the coming strenuous season.

Washington Pitchers

Clark Griffith is determined to have a winning pitching staff next season, and already has lined up 21 hurlers for 1927 spring training. Only three members of his present corps of pitchers—Walter Johnson, Stanley Coveleski and Fred Marberry—are sure of their jobs and Curley Ogden and George Murry, youngsters who did very well in the 1926 campaign, will be forced to fight it out with the newcomers for the other places on the pitching staff.

CALIFORNIA NEWS BRIEFS

On Tuesday, January 11, the California Society for Crippled Children held their first annual meeting and conference, at the Palace Hotel, San Francisco. Fifteen state-wide organizations including fraternal societies and service clubs, were represented. The purpose of the meeting was to elect officers and devise plans for the securing of state appropriations for the care and relief of crippled children. The general purpose of the society is to "bring the greatest good to the greatest number of crippled children" in California. It does not intend to build any institutions or to boost any single institution or hospital. It does not intend to be or become a "child caring" organization. Its intention is to bring into bold relief the size and importance of the problem of the crippled child in California and to devise means and appropriations for the proper care, relief and education of California's Crippled Children. The motto of the society is "California Cares."

Important additions to Los Angeles industrial exports are being developed by the increasing market for ice cream in that country. During the past year, about 15,000 gallons of ice cream were sold in Shanghai which has a population of more than 3,000,000, with but ten soda fountains. It was asserted by the dairy chief. Marketed principally in the cup or chocolate covered bar, Pin Gie Ling, as ice cream is termed in Chinese, sells for about twice as much in that country as it does in the United States. In working up a demand for the product, the exporter to China has 400,000 potential customers, he pointed out.

Application has been made for a medal to be granted to Ervin Nichols, 11 years, Serravallo, from the Carnegie Hero Association, for saving Kenneth Walters, his cousin, 4 years old, from drowning last summer at the swimming pool at the Campbell Hot Springs. Kenneth was sitting on the steps with his feet in the water at the deep end of the tank when he slipped in. Ervin was with the other children at the shallow end of the tank when he heard a commotion on the bank and learned Kenneth had gone down a couple of times. Immediately swam to the little fellow's rescue and succeeded in saving him.

Negotiations are being completed in Chico between officials of the Diamond Match company and the Pacific Gas and Electric company for the installation of 11,000 feet of 16,000-volt power line to the new Diamond Match equipment on Butte Creek near Powellton, five and a half miles north of De Saba power plant. The installation of the additional power lines is a part of the \$250,000 improvement program of the lumber company, which will open up a territory of more than fifty square miles of timber.

Alfred L. Lindsley, former editor of the Humboldt News, at Eureka, has served almost nine months of a sentence of two years and nine months for contempt of court, when Superior Judge Denver Sevier, who sentenced Lindsley, suspended the further execution of the sentence. Before the order of release was signed three physicians certified to the court that Lindsley has a "commencing tuberculosis of both lungs and an affliction of the stomach and that imprisonment would undoubtedly curtail his life."

Serving notice the Modesto Irrigation District proposes to stand by the terms of its power contract with San Francisco, Director H. H. Sturgill of Modesto and Engineer R. J. O'Connell recently filed with the city engineer at San Francisco the completed plans for a \$150,000 step-down station with which the district will tie into San Francisco's Hetch Hetchy transmission lines. There was discussion recently among directors of the Irrigation district as to whether the contract is valid.

The total of \$1,820,522 spent for building improvements in 1926 brings Palo Alto's aggregate of post-war construction expenditures up to \$9,600,555. The 1926 total is exceeded only by the record of 1925, when building permits were issued for a total of \$2,150,798. The number of residences in Palo Alto has increased from 1,473 counted during the 1920 census, to an estimated total of 3,710 today. There were 217 homes built there in 1926.

Plans are being prepared by an architect for a five-story and basement steel-frame, concrete, brick and tile department store building, theater and three-story store building for Stockton. The theater will have a seating capacity of 2,400. The cost of the improvements will be about \$600,000.

The agency of the Southern Pacific company at Dutch Flat, famed city of the gold days, has closed until May 1, when it will be opened as a summer office. A caretaker has been put in charge to look after the fires and lights. This is the first time since 1866 that the office has been without an agent.

Changing her plea from not guilty on a charge of possessing a liquor still, Mrs. M. Porter, Red Bluff, was sentenced to serve 500 days in the county jail. She has the distinction of being Tehama county's first woman bootlegger to get a jail term.

The contract and specifications of the Galt Joint Union High school of Galt, filed in the office of County Recorder Charles A. Root, San Joaquin county, provide for construction, cost of \$98,100 and completion in a period of 150 days. The building is to be two stories in height. Robert Carter, last surviving member of the San Francisco Vigilante Committee, who was operated on two weeks ago, is in a critical condition at the Sutter Hospital, Sacramento. Carter, whose home is in Rio Linda, is ninety-three years of age.

According to Postmaster George P. Lovejoy, Petaluma, the Petaluma postoffice is in the \$75,000 class, as a gain of more than \$2,000 was made over 1925 receipts this year.

Oil production in the San Joaquin Valley for November was 232,243 barrels less than for October, according to figures just compiled by the American Petroleum Institute, Pacific Coast office.

With what is believed the largest crowd on record, New Year's day was celebrated at Truckee with the annual winter snow sports. The day was fair, clear and crisp enough to add zest to the sport.

Plans have been approved for the \$350,000 three-story building which is to be constructed in Fresno by the Elks. The building is to be modern in every respect with a cooling system, swimming pool and gymnasium.

The total of marriage licenses issued by County Clerk Albert Brown in Sutter county was seventy-four. The last couple to secure the permit was Charles L. Webb, 60, of Yuba City and Sarah Webb, 60, of Meridian.

With Bakersfield merchants experiencing a substantial increase in cash and credit sales, the end of the year 1926 witnessed one of the most prosperous twelve-month periods in the history of the city, according to J. F. O'Neill, secretary of the business men's association, who declares that obvious indications pointed to increased activities throughout the present year.

Indicating the increased business activity and stability in California, Secretary of State Frank C. Jordan announced that 4,750 new corporations were licensed in the state during 1926, or about twice as many as incorporated annually during the business depression of the war years. Every indication, it was stated, points to even greater business prosperity during 1927.

Charlie Sing, Sutter Creek, for fifty-five years one of the best known figures in Amador county, is dead at the age of seventy-five. "Charlie" as he was familiarly known to a host of friends operated a restaurant in Sutter Creek. No hungry man ever was turned away from his door even though he could not pay for his meals. Unsolicited he often sent food to the sick and needy.

San Francisco banks marked the first business day of the new year with clearings which amounted to \$50,000,000 the second highest figure in the history of the city. This amount exceeds the figure for the corresponding day in 1926, when \$39,000,000 was cleared. The city's record day of banking, as reflected by the clearings, was February 5, 1926, when the total reached \$51,500,000.

Resignation of C. L. McLane, president of the Fresno State Teachers College to take effect June 30, 1927, was announced recently by Will C. Wood, State superintendent of public instruction. McLane, first president of the institution, has served fifteen years. Immediately following the time his resignation takes effect, F. C. Thomas, vice-president of the college, will be elevated to the status of president, Wood announced.

Oakland public school pupils who returned to their classes after a holiday recess of three weeks, occupied during the past year new buildings costing \$1,250,000 according to the annual report of the school department, business manager, Don Rice. In the coming year contracts for an additional \$1,812,342 of new structures already let will be completed. Plans for a number of other buildings provided by the 1924 bond issue are being drawn.

The cities of San Francisco and San Jose were given special awards at the Tournament of Roses and Pasadena for the beautiful floral floats they entered in the great floral pageant. San Jose's entry in Class A, at the head of the second division of the parade, was based on the song theme "La Fiesta de las Rosas." The float had a fruit tree in full bloom at each of its four corners and was laden with fruits and flowers of Santa Clara valley.

The State Railroad Commission reorganized under a new policy suggested by President Harley W. Brundage, whereby the presidency of the commission is among members of the commission in January, 1927. For six years prior to that he had been district attorney of Alameda county. The new plan follows the policy in effect in the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Chairman Harvey M. Toy of the state highway commission will accompany Governor Prind W. Richardson on the latter's globe trotting tour next year. The governor announced that Toy's decision to quit the commission and go roving with him around the world was "the best Christmas present I could have wished for." Toy will sail from New York on the steamship California and will be joined by the governor's party at San Pedro, February 4th.

Recommendations that the state of California refuse to consider the removal of the Ventura school for girls are contained in a report by Lloyd R. Root, state mineralogist to the state board of control, made public recently. Recent negotiations between various oil companies and the state board of control for the purchase of 126 acres of land, upon which the Ventura school is located, resulted in a conference November 12, 1926, at which it was decided to request a report from the state mineralogist concerning various questions involved.

Contract will be awarded soon to build a \$500,000 edifice at Santa Barbara for the Methodist Episcopal church. The structure will be designed in the modern Gothic style of architecture. Reinforced concrete construction will be employed and the exterior will be cast stone. An investment company is having plans prepared by an architect for a two and three-story frame and stucco hotel building. It will be erected in Watsonville, Santa Cruz county. It will contain 120 rooms, with baths, and will cost about \$250,000.

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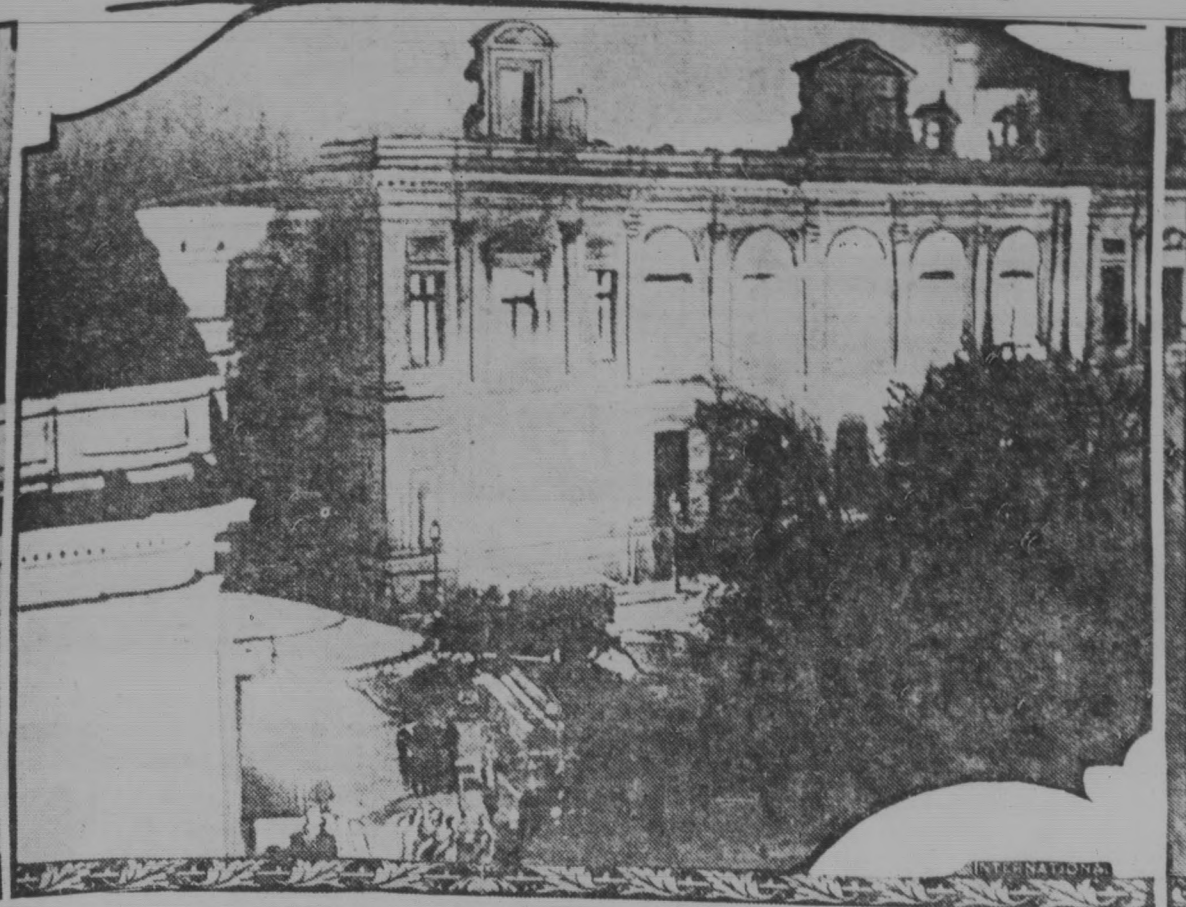
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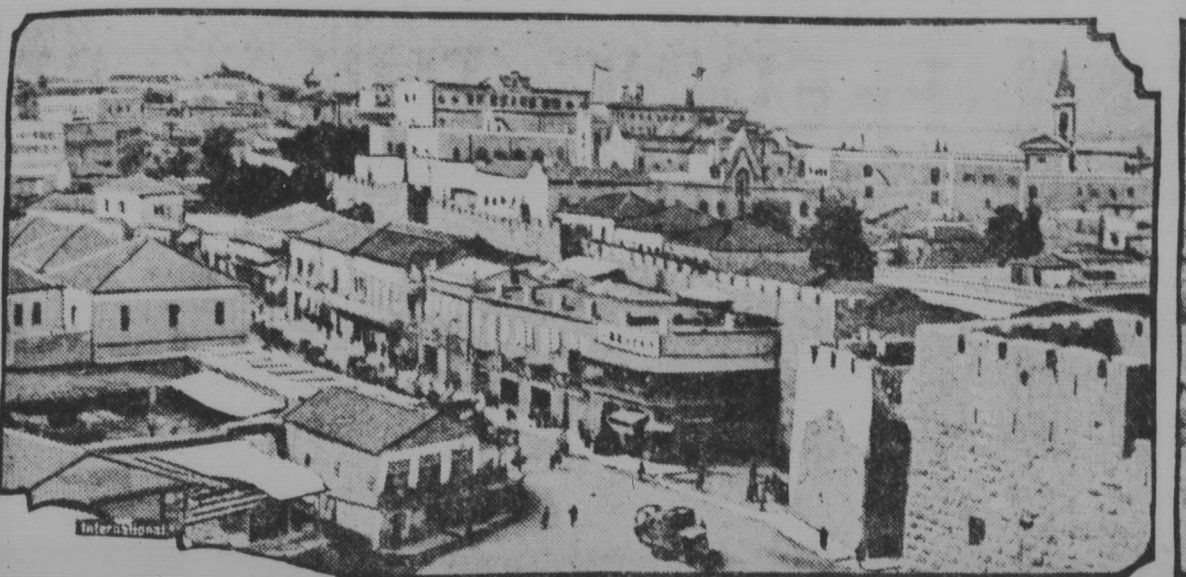
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Scene during the fire which demolished the palace of King Ferdinand and Queen Marie of Rumania in Bucharest.

Modern Jerusalem Shows Great Changes



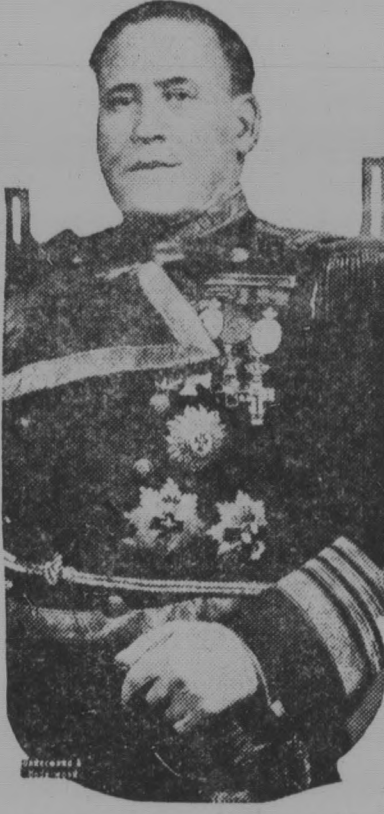
Jerusalem of the Bible contrasts greatly with the Jerusalem of today, as is shown by this photograph of the Jaffa road, looking from David's tower.

War Hero and S. A. Commissioner



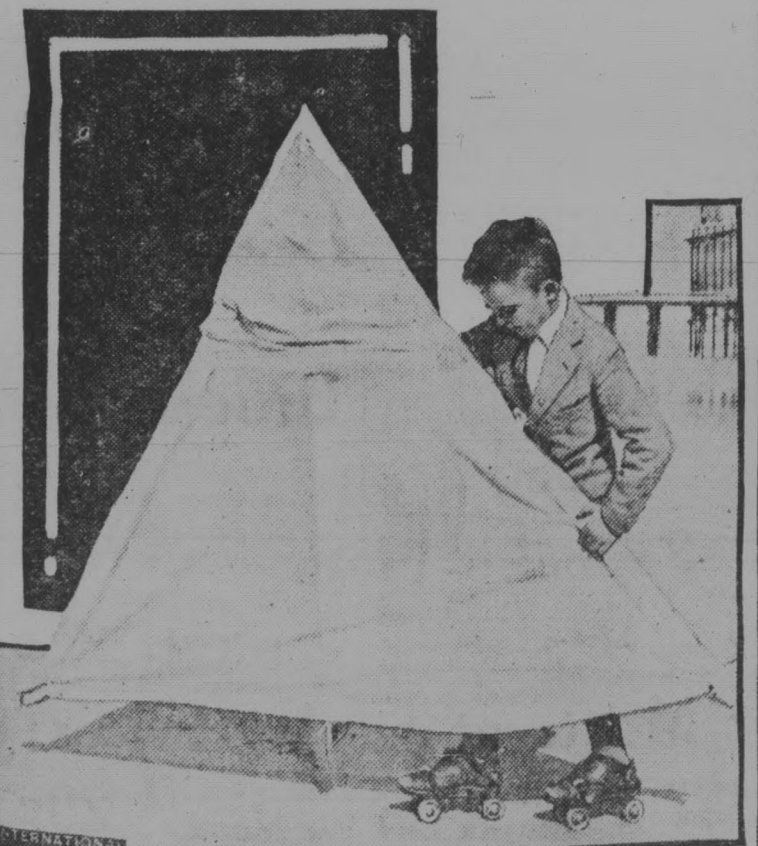
Sergeant Alvin York of Tennessee, famous World war hero, congratulating Commissioner William A. McIntyre on his promotion to commissioner of the southern states. York is interested in Salvation army work and will give McIntyre many valuable tips.

SPANISH ATTACHE



An especially posed portrait of Commander Adolphe H. de Solas of the royal Spanish navy, Spanish naval attaché in the United States.

Sail Skating on Beach Sands



Here is eleven-year-old Donald Avery of Daytona-Ormond beach in Florida with the skate sail which he devised to carry him swiftly over the hard sand on roller skates. His idea has been adopted by many other youngsters.

SHORT ITEMS TO REMEMBER

Glycerin can be obtained from petroleum.

Ants move at a faster speed in warm weather.

Cloth is made from pineapple leaves in the Philippines.

Fire destroys \$150,000,000 worth of farm property every year.

Practically all silver and black fox furs used in the United States are from fox farms.

Emery was used for grinding in the time of the pharaohs.

Shoplifters and other forms of theft cost one London department store more than \$40,000 last year.

When writing a book, Balzac sometimes worked 18 to 21 hours a day for weeks.

A wireless storm detector in New York enables the city to receive warning of a storm 50 miles away.

Life's Irony
Crowns come too late, as the aged poet who finally made a hit sadly remarked and generally by the time a man gets to a point where he can buy his wife a string of pearls she doesn't want to attract any attention to her neck.—Ohio State Journal.

Palm Is Peace Symbol in Egypt
Palms are regarded by the people of Egypt as symbols of peace and rest and are held sacred.—Dearborn Independent.

THE WORLD'S GREAT EVENTS

ALBERT PAYSON TERHUNE

Henry of Navarre

A COUNTRY boy—long rather than tall, high forehead, with a great hooked nose, a tanned face and wild, fringing hair, came up to Paris, against his mother's will, one day in the latter part of the sixteenth century. He was the penniless Prince Henry of Navarre, son of stupid old Anthony of Bourbon, king of Navarre. In coming to Paris he was walking into the very jaws of death.

Catherine de Medici, widow of Henry II, was practically ruler of France in spite of the fact that her weak son, Charles IX sat on the throne. She had four sons. They were all childless. Should they chance to die without direct heirs, the royal line of Valois would end, and the crown must pass, by succession, to their cousin, the king of Navarre. Catherine was an ardent Catholic, as were her sons and her adherents. Navarre, a little subsidiary province near the Spanish frontier of France, was the center of the Huguenot (Protestant) movement. The rulers of Navarre were the chiefs of the Huguenots. Hence, if the king of Navarre should inherit the throne, France would probably become a Huguenot country. So Catherine cast uneasy eyes towards the little kingdom and began to plot measures for averting such a possibility.

Jeanne d'Albret, wife of Anthony de Bourbon and mother of young Henry of Navarre, was also doing some plotting, but along wholly different lines. She was one of the noblest, best women in history. Her husband had been a weak, dissipated, thick-headed fellow, and all her hopes were centered in her boy. She accordingly had Henry brought up as a rigid Protestant, sought to turn his mind to high thoughts, to honor and personal rectitude, urged him to outdoor life and exposure to roughness and strength, and confided his military training to the famous Admiral Coligny.

In the midst of this course of training Jeanne was horrified to receive a request from Catherine that Henry visit the gay court at Paris. She well knew that such an invitation amounted to a royal command, and that it could not with impunity be disobeyed. Yet she foresaw the terrible influence a woman like Catherine could exert on her pleasure-loving son. Henry, delighted to be free from such close discipline, hurried to Paris and plunged at once into the dissolute gaiety of the court. Jeanne vainly tried to retain her influence over him by writing him long letters full of advice and of news of his old home. Catherine dreaded the effect of these letters, so she sent Jeanne a pair of poisoned gloves. Jeanne wore them and died.

Every decent influence being thus removed, Henry wallowed deeper daily in the infamies of Catherine's contrivance. He was now king of Navarre, nominal head of the Huguenots, but too steeped in the pleasures of court to give much thought to his responsibilities. To wipe out the Huguenots Catherine arranged the massacre of St. Bartholomew within a week after Henry's marriage to her daughter, Margaret. Henry, seeing his life was in danger, renounced Protestantism and became a Catholic. Three years later he escaped from Paris, where he was treated more like a prisoner than a king, and fled to Navarre, where his Huguenot adherents were awaiting him. On the way he stopped long enough to renounce Catholicism and declare himself a faithful Huguenot. For the next few years he indulged in as gay a life as his impoverished little kingdom could afford.

Meantime, on Charles IX's death, his younger brother, Henry III, had come to the throne of France. He was frivolous and weak. The Parisians worshipped the duke of Guise, who openly declared himself a claimant to the throne and who started the League, an organization semi-civil, semi-religious, made up from all classes and devoted to the Guise family. Henry III, to check this rising revolt, had Guise assassinated. The League in fury rose to avenge its leader's death and drove the king out of Paris. The dispossessed monarch joined forces with Henry of Navarre against the League, but was himself assassinated in 1589. This left Henry of Navarre rightful king of France.

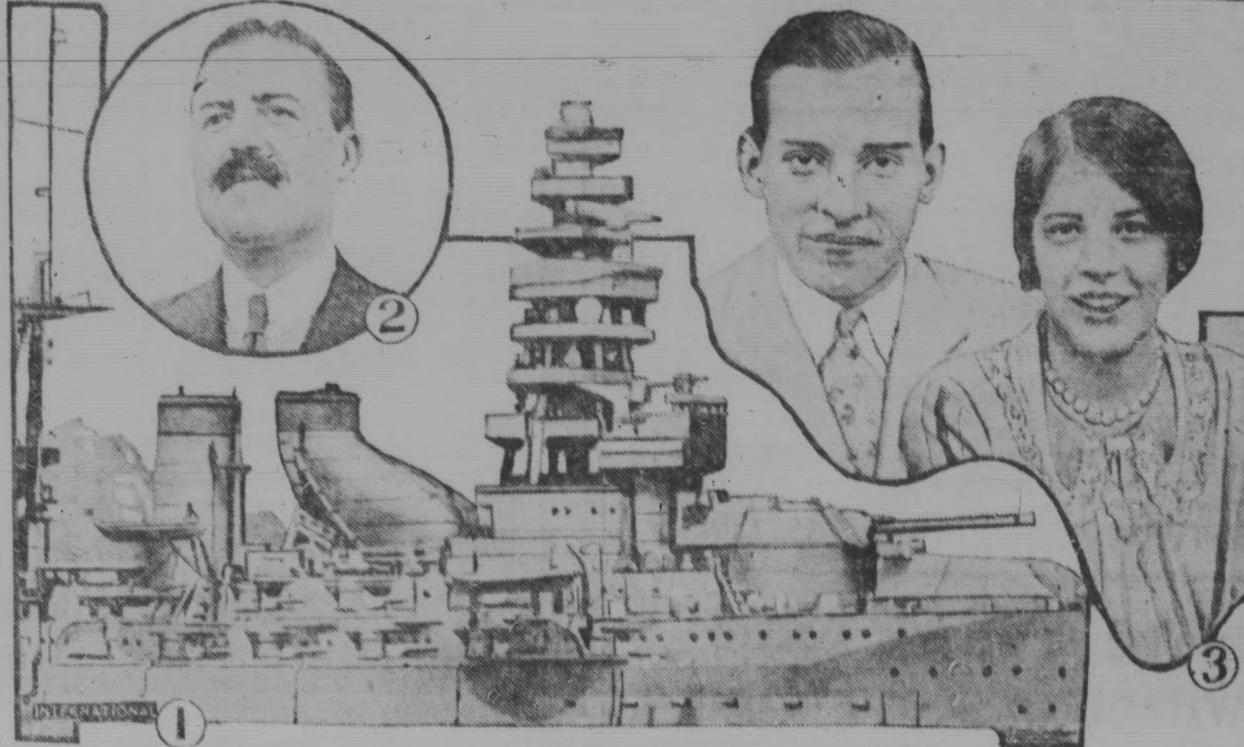
Henry boldly laid siege to Paris to enforce his claims. He beat the League's armies at Arques in 1589 and at Ivry in 1590. Henry was tired of warfare and poverty. He wanted to be a king, not a guerilla leader. So he abjured Protestantism and for the second time declared himself a true Catholic. This removed the last barrier to his success and all France gladly acclaimed him king.

So in 1593 he entered Paris in triumph, apparently in no way abashed at having twice deceived his earlier followers by such ready changes of faith. He drove the Spanish out of France, put down the League, and in 1598, by the edict of Nantes, assured privilege and religious toleration to all Protestants. Under him modern France had its birth. He ruled wisely and for the good of the people.

At the height of his career, May 14, 1610, he was murdered by Ravalliac, a fanatic, his young son, Louis XIII, succeeding him.

Bequest Aids Science

A special building is to be added to the University of Chicago hospital for the purpose of making intensive studies on contagious diseases. A fund provided by the will of Mrs. Harriet G. Smith, which will eventually amount to \$500,000, is to defray the cost of the structure, which will be known as the Charles Gilman Smith hospital. Officials of the university have recently completed arrangements for taking over the bequest.



1—New Japanese battleship Mutsu with novel construction of funnel and control mast. 2—Peter A. Jay, American ambassador to Argentina, who has resigned because of the death of his daughter. 3—John Coolidge, son of the President, and Florence Trumbull, daughter of the governor of Connecticut, whose friendship interests Washington society.

NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Our Policy in Nicaragua Bitterly Attacked in Latin America.

BY EDWARD W. PICKARD

IF ONE were to believe the press in some Latin-American republics and the alarmists at home, affairs in Nicaragua are approaching a crisis that will be very uncomfortable for the United States. But the administration pursues its course steadily and without the least appearance of being worried. Rear Admiral Julian B. Latimer, commanding our naval forces down there, has established a neutral zone that embraces the entire east coast of Nicaragua and has notified both sides in the civil struggle that any troops of either faction that enter that zone will be disarmed. Though the zone includes Puerto Cabezas, where Doctor Sacasa set up his liberal government, Admiral Latimer's action last week happened to strike hardest at the Diaz forces, for they suffered a severe defeat at Las Perlas and hundreds of them were forced to retire to El Bluff, where they were disarmed by the Yankee gobs. The Conservatives fought desperately for three days but could not withstand the attacks of the Liberals, who were said to have the help of 300 Mexican soldiers and officers.

Dr. T. S. Vaca, agent of the Liberal government in Washington, lodged with Secretary of State Kellogg an emphatic protest against the occupation of Puerto Cabezas by the Americans, asserting that it was unwarranted and that Doctor Sacasa was held in "practical imprisonment." At about the same time President Coolidge gave out a statement describing America's intervention as non-partisan and declaring that the only purpose in sending the blue-jackets in Puerto Cabezas was "the protection of the lives and property of American citizens. American marines, according to the President, have not molested Doctor Sacasa or any member of his cabinet. The Liberal president, it was pointed out, is now residing in a house lent by Americans at Puerto Cabezas.

Senator Borah, chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, after conferring with Secretary Kellogg and reading a cablegram from Admiral Latimer, issued a formal statement saying he did not believe it was the intention of the United States to intervene in the affairs of Nicaragua, but warning that the government should be "vigilant against being tricked into intervention."

"Naturally, we are interested in protecting our own people," the Borah statement continued. "But we should also bear in mind that to do anything more than is necessary to protect them is wholly unjustifiable. Those people have their own way of doing things, and not only this government but American citizens who go into these countries will have to take that into consideration. I am in favor of withdrawing our forces from Nicaragua just as soon as it can be ascertained that Americans are reasonably safe."

Senator Moses, also a member of the committee, is not so satisfied. He introduced a resolution calling on the State department for the correspondence leading up to the recognition of Diaz and relating to efforts to stabilize his government. It was presumed this would open the way to a general discussion of American policies in Latin America.

Newspapers in Mexico, Brazil and Argentina are bitterly attacking the policy of the United States in Nicaragua. In Buenos Aires the press calls it part of the fixed program of the United States eventually to annex all of South America. But they are angered by our refusal to admit their beef and alfalfa seed, and suggest a boycott on American coal in retaliation. Unfortunately Ambassador Peter A. Jay, who could explain it all to the Argentine government, has resigned and is about to come home with the body of his daughter, who died there.

Science Now Promises New Fuels From Coal

A common lump of coal, productive now of little more than heat, smoke and ashes is a veritable wonder lamp in possibilities and American scientists are determined to be its Aladdin.

Smokeless coal, automobiles run on a bituminous substitute for gasoline, universal gas heat instead of coal heat, are only a few of the changes bound to come about, experts say, as

GREAT BRITAIN, recognizing the changed conditions in China, has communicated to the powers its new policy in the Orient and asked them to take a corresponding stand. The program calls for revision of the Washington treaty and all other outstanding questions as soon as the Chinese themselves have constituted a government with authority to negotiate, and proposes that the powers should abstain from the idea that "economic and political development of China can only be secured under foreign tutelage and should declare their readiness to recognize her right to the enjoyment of a tariff autonomy as soon as she herself has settled and promulgated a new national tariff. They should expressly disclaim any intention of forcing foreign control upon an unwilling China."

The plan calls for the immediate unconditional scrapping of surtaxes contemplated by the Washington conference, and opposes any attempt by the powers to attack the purposes to which the yield from the surtaxes should be devoted.

In the State department at Washington the British plan was read sympathetically and in general with favor. France doesn't like it. The press in Japan was unanimously opposed to it, being probably prompted almost entirely by commercial considerations. Large Japanese exporters to China foresee considerable losses in what has been a lucrative field for them, and they have great influence with the government.

Marshal Chang Tso-lin of Manchuria has arrived in Peking, occupied the imperial palace and is giving out orders as a dictator. Meanwhile the northern leaders have reported to be gathering huge armies about Shanghai to prevent the imminent capture of that city by the Cantonese armies.

AROUSING information that \$100,000,000 worth of liquor had crossed from Canada into the United States during the year, and in response to loud protests in the Dominion and the United States, the government at Ottawa announced that it was determined to stop the run running and to put into full effect immediately the treaty concerning it between Canada and this country. Hereafter any ships clearing from Canada with cargoes of liquor must prove beyond doubt that their cargo has been landed at the point for which clearance was granted, or else their boats for double excise duty will be forfeited. Where evidence is available that clearance papers are made out for fictitious trips, liquor cargoes will be seized and declared confiscated as contraband under the provisions of the Canadian customs act.

Holiday drinking in the United States resulted in the deaths of many persons due to the poisonous nature of the liquor and opponents of prohibition cried loudly that the government was murdering American citizens. Treasury officials responded with the statement that the use of wood alcohol as a denaturant would not be discontinued, but that a new formula containing an unusually obnoxious compound would be substituted for some of the formulas in use hitherto. In other words, the liquor will be no less poisonous but will be so distasteful that it is hoped, people will not be willing to drink it.

Rear Admiral Billard announces that "Rum Row" off the Atlantic coast has been entirely put out of business by the efforts of the coast guard.

THERE was a volcanic eruption and great suffering, as well as several deaths, in the lowlands of Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi and Alabama, resulting from the overflowing of the rivers following tremendous rainfall. Eastern Kentucky and Tennessee were the worst sufferers, but elsewhere also the crop losses were heavy. In other parts of the country, notably Ohio, there were extraordinarily heavy rains that brought traffic to a standstill. Two volcanoes on Kamchatka peninsula are in eruption, and the loss of life is reported the heaviest damage is severe. The city of Petropavlovsk is nearly buried under lava and ashes. Further west on the Russian coast several fishing villages were obliterated by great waves and masses of ice hurled on them during a storm. Heavy loss of life was reported there.

LITIGATION over the estate of Jay Gould that lasted ten years and enriched many lawyers was brought to an end by a compromise agreement making a series of lump sum settlements and annual payments amounting in all to about \$20,000,000 to the many beneficiaries.

The estate has shrunk from \$80,000,000 to about \$50,000,000. Attorney Samuel Seabury of New York, acting as spokesman for the attorneys concerned, said that Anna, duchess de Talland, had settled an \$11,000,000 claim for less than \$3,000,000. A desire to mend family differences actuated this settlement, Mr. Seabury said. He informed Referee O'Gorman that both Frank J. Gould and the duchess held the deepest affection for Helen Gould Shepard, one of the trustees, and felt that no matter how mistaken her course of conduct had been it had not been marked by any trace of dishonor.

AWARD of the Woodrow Wilson Foundation peace prize for 1926 was made to Elihu Root, former secretary of state, at a banquet in New York on the anniversary of Wilson's birth. The presentation was made by Norman H. Davis, president of the foundation, who said it was in recognition of Mr. Root's work in 1920 in the creation of the permanent court of international justice.

MAJOR DARGUE and his comrade in the pan-American army airplane tour, went up to Mexico City and were received by President Calles. They presented to him a flowery letter from President Coolidge and received an equally flowery answer from Mr. Coolidge. Naturally, there was in the documents no slightest hint that relations between the two governments were not entirely pleasant.

GREETED by a million people, the former Crown Prince Hirohito of Japan entered Tokyo and mounted the throne of his ancestors, succeeding to the imperial title on the death of his father, Yoshihito. At his first levee the new emperor read an outline of his policies, saying in part: "Conditions throughout the world have recently undergone signal changes. The thoughts of men are liable to follow contradictory channels. The economic life of the nation is occasionally marked with the conflict of varied interests. Accordingly it is important to fix one's eyes at the general situation of the country and unite the efforts of the whole empire in promoting the solidarity of the nation, in strengthening still further the foundation of the national existence and securing forever the prosperity of our people.

"Simplicity instead of vain display; originality instead of blind imitation; progress in the view of this period of evolution and improvement to keep up with advancing civilization; national harmony in purpose and action; beneficence to all classes of people and friendship for all nations on earth. These are the cardinal aims of man whereto our profoundest abiding solicitudes are directed."

CONSIDERABLE importance is attached to the signing on Wednesday of a treaty of friendship and arbitration between Germany and Italy. Though it is not an alliance, the pact is expected to bring the two countries again into amicable relations and to have a bearing on the shaping of the political alignment in Europe. It shows a spirit of co-operation and a desire to clear up the misunderstandings of the past year.

BUSINESS men of America formed a commission to investigate the agricultural problem and its relation to the economic life of the nation. Charles Nagel of St. Louis is chairman of the commission, which was created jointly by the national industrial conference board and the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. Mr. Nagel said that while information and suggestions would be sought from leaders in all fields of business and agricultural activity "the commission's findings and recommendations must be entirely its own, uninfluenced and free even from the policies and attitudes of either of the two organizations that have co-operated in organizing the commission."

"Some processes which are talked about a great deal can be adopted profitably," said Dr. Thomas S. Baker, president of the Carnegie Institute of Technology and sponsor of the international coal meeting. "There are great deposits of low-grade coal in America which, when subjected to certain processes, can be transformed into higher-priced products. "Abstract research," he added, "is likely to be more profitable than solving the everyday problems."

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Have You A Little Howitzer in Your Home

Attention, farmers! If your neighbor half a mile away annoys you, use city methods, buy a Big Bertha and blow him off the map. The War Department will sell you a slightly used 10-inch cannon out of its surplus stock. Trench mortars throwing TNT shells a suitable distance are recommended for urban use. To stop the noisy party next door, use a couple of tear-gas bombs. They are to be had at first-class sporting-goods stores.

Well, why not? Our rising young criminals in the Middle West and the East are using machine guns with excellent effect. They are not allowed to buy or carry revolvers without a police permit, but the purchase of machine guns is as unrestricted and unregulated as the selling of syrup. You can't buy a pint of spiritus frumenti without convincing a physician that you need the poison. The druggist has to register the name and address of every ant-poison buyer, but machine guns are handed out over the counter with as little ceremony or hesitation as trout flies.

There is no reason why anyone except a peace officer should have a machine gun. The Far Western legislatures now in session should make the possession of a machine gun a felony punishable by a penitentiary sentence, and absolutely prohibit sale of the murderous machine except to public officials.—Action, please!—Sunset for February.

Both Sides

Europe has forgotten all that America did during the World War and sees the United States glutted with gold and bent on holding every country to ransom, Prime Minister Bruce of Australia told members of the Pilgrims Club recently.

"America, on the other hand," declared the minister, "does not attach sufficient importance to the racial and national difficulties of Europe, the ancient feuds and antipathies, nor understand fully what tragic suffering came to Europe as a result of the war."

If America and Great Britain will work together, there is hope for mankind. If they do not, nothing mankind can devise will succeed."

The Spalding Bill

The board of trustees of this city deserves the commendation of every citizen of this county for the action they have taken to aid in the frustration of the Spalding bills, which would permit a large section of this county to be grabbed by Palo Alto. The bills if passed would make it easy for the larger municipality to annex contiguous territory in this county, thus removing from the tax rolls much valuable territory and adding an extra burden upon the tax payers of the county. If Palo Alto were able to seize the territory which it desires, at least \$4,000,000 would be lost to the taxable property of this county. This would be a loss especially to the Sequoia Union High School District.

The representatives of this county in both houses of the legislature will oppose the passage of these bills, if they pass the committee, and very likely they will be defeated. But the danger is there, and every civic organization should unite in a firm stand against any such measures. Not having taken such a stand, should they allow themselves to be bullied into reversing their opinions and sanctioning the dismemberment of their county.

Editor of the Times-Gazette:

After a short meeting of the Auxiliary of Camp Reilly, the members and visitors from the Adelle Ballou Auxiliary of San Francisco joined the Veterans in their installation of officers. The installation took place Tuesday evening, January 11. The installing officer was Scotchman of Camp Miles of San Francisco.

About one hundred members from the different camps were present; many coming from Camps Miles, Fannin and Adelle Ballou of San Francisco and Vickers of Mt. View. Very interesting speeches were made by Commander Schulte, Commander Schultz, Peckham, Greenway, Eckstein and Scotchman of Miles Camp, and Storey of Fannin Camp. Commander Hooke of Vickers Camp, Commander Donahue, president of Adelle Ballou Auxiliary, and Mack, president of the Auxiliary, were also present.

dent of Reilly Auxiliary, Pike, Commander Homan and Bentley, Commander West of Camp Reilly, and others. Several musical selections were rendered by Eckstein of Camp Miles. After the installation refreshments were served.

Reilly Camp and Auxiliary would like all of its members to attend all the regular meetings and enjoy these social affairs.

W. A. Brooke has applied in the superior court for letters of administration upon the estate of Charles Reilly, who died in the county on January 6, leaving no relatives in the state. The estate consists of 13 shares of the capital stock of the Owl Drug Company valued at \$1000.14 and cash in bank amounting to \$20. Ross and Ross are the attorneys for the petitioner.

THE WORST IS YET TO COME



P. G. & E. Has Big Project on its 1927 Program

The Pacific Gas and Electric Company has big projects on its 1927 construction program. New plants will be added to the company's system and present plants will be enlarged. The year 1927 promises to be a busy one for the construction crews they are now engaged on four big hydro-electric jobs in the Sierras and on many gas and electric construction and maintenance jobs in the various cities served.

In the upper reaches of the Mokelumne river in Amador county, surveyors are marking the way for the building of a road to the site of the Salt Springs Dam; generating machinery is being set in the Melones Power House on the Stanislaus river east of Oakdale.

A crew is busy making enlargements on the Spaulding Dam Development in Placer and Nevada counties, and in Shasta county work is progressing on the Pitt No. 1 Development. The Salt Springs Development in Amador county, calls for a tremendous program. A great rock filled dam 200 feet high or more will be thrown across the Mokelumne river. A reservoir of at least 50,000 acre feet capacity and 25 mile water conduit; a 44,000 horse-power generating plant at Tiger creek and a greater output for the Electric Power House at Jackson, capacity of which will be raised from 16,000 horse power to 44,000.

This job alone will take four years to complete. Appropriations for the first years on this job will be devoted largely to preliminary work, costing \$1,250,000. The Melones Power House which is to take water from the reservoir built on the Stanislaus by the South San Joaquin and Oakdale Irrigation districts is scheduled to be completed June 1st. Work on this project will continue through the winter and until the new \$2,500,000 power project, adding 16 horsepower to the company's system is completed. On the Spaulding Dam Development there will be employed hundreds of men in enlarging the two Spaulding Power Plants, it being the plan to dismantle the present plants to make way for plants of larger capacity. A third and new plant will be built on the rim of the Lake Spaulding. The capacity of the Drum Power House near Gold will be increased from 50,000 to 67,000 horse power. This work is necessary to enable the company to make further use of the additional water made available by raising the Fordsyce Dam and the water now being developed by the Nevada Irrigation district at Bowman. Material and supplies are now being moved in on the Lake Spaulding jobs over a track recently laid by the Southern Pacific Company from the station at Smart. The Spaulding 1 and 2 plants will be placed in operation this year and a No. 3 plant is scheduled to be ready early in the spring of 1928. Appropriations already made for the Spaulding Dam development aggregate more than \$2,000,000. In Shasta county the Pitt No. 4 Dam which was started last year is scheduled to be completed early in 1927. Large expenditures are to be made in all the divisions.

The San Francisco division will spend approximately \$500,000 on the new work and as much more for operating and maintenance. In the East Bay division \$500,000 is to be applied to the building of new power transmission lines alone. Sacramento division got \$500,000 for a construction program that includes rebuilding of the Davis sub-station. San Jose will spend \$400,000 on the Newmark Coyote Tower line and \$100,000 or more on a new substation in Monte Vista.

There is a gas program, calling for \$4,000,000 for additions

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PESCADERO

Mr. and Mrs. M. Neveaumont were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Adair over the week end. Mrs. Flores of Lathrop was a visitor of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Bonjett this week.

Mrs. J. S. McGuire of Fruitvale have returned home after visiting the Williamson and Moore families.

The Pescadero Soccer team played a tie game last Sunday with the De Molays of San Mateo. The score was 1 to 1.

Miss Castello was a visitor in Berkeley over the week end.

Maria Adair has been on the sick list this week.

Geo. Gnanola and J. C. Williamson were visitors in Halfmoon Bay Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Goularte and Mrs. Margaret George were visitors in Oakland Monday.

Mrs. H. A. Steinburg motored to San Francisco Friday.

Lester Pinkham has recovered from his accident and is feeling fine.

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Player in Coming Sequoia Feature Has Lots of Ancestors

Strange things go to make the temperament, which is of a nature that make stars.

Grace Gordon, one of the prominent players in "Butterflies in the Rain," which opens at the Sequoia Theatre on Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 17-18, is a strange combination of nationalities.

She appears in support of Laura La Plante and James Kirkwood in this picture, which Edward Sloan directed.

Miss Gordon's paternal grandmother is a direct descendant of the first king of Honolulu. Her maternal grandfather is a descendant from Sir John Mossman, of the British Peerage, and Miss Gordon's family has a coat of arms.

While several strains make up her personality, Miss Gordon strikes one as being a pretty Irish colleen, despite the fact that Irish blood does not flow in her veins.

Miss Gordon is an excellent actress and has had several years stage experience as a dancer.

Also in the supporting cast of the excellent Edward Sloan production are—Dorothy Cummings, Robert Ober, Dorothy Stokes, Edward Davis, Clarence Thompson and Ruby Lafayette.

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FORMER RESIDENT OF REDWOOD CITY PASSES AWAY

Charles A. Hextrum passed away

in San Francisco last Friday at the age of 82 years, and was buried in that city on Monday. The deceased was a former resident of this city, having for many years been employed at the F. H. Frank tannery here. The Hextrums left here in 1901. After leaving here the deceased was superintendent of a tannery in San Francisco until he retired from active work about three years ago.

Hextrum was a native of Sweden. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Charlotte Hextrum and the following children: Herman C. and Arthur Hextrum, Mrs. J. E. Bradley and Mrs. Alma Miller.

Funeral services were held under the auspices of Pacific Lodge No. 155, I. O. O. F., of San Francisco, of which the deceased was a past grand. He was also a member of Redwood City Lodge No. 108, F. & A. M. of this city. Interment was in Mt. Olivet cemetery.

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The GIRL in the MIRROR

By
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CHAPTER XIII—Continued

There had been a long silence after his last words, but when she spoke it was as if there had been no interval between his chatter and her response. "Almost any other man would have been excited and emotional at times, and then would have been exacting and difficult and rebellious over all the mystery, and the fact that I couldn't explain. I've set that pace myself," she confessed. "I haven't always been able to take things quietly and—and philosophically. The wonderful thing about you is that you've never been overwhelmed by any situation we've been in together. You've never even seemed to take them very seriously. And yet, when it came to a 'show-down,' as Shaw says, you've been right there, always."

"You're the kind," she said, "that in the French revolution, if you had been a victim of it, would have gone to the guillotine with a smile and a jest, and would have seen in the experience only a new adventure."

At that, he shook his head.

"I don't know," he said slowly, and with the seriousness he had shown her once or twice before. "It's a rather important thing. I've been thinking about it a good deal lately."

"You have?" In her astonishment, she straightened in her chair. "Why?"

"Well," he hesitated, "I haven't spoken about it much, but—the truth is, I'm taking the European war more seriously than I have seemed to. I think America will swing into the fight in a month or two more; I really don't see how we can keep out any longer. And I've made up my mind to volunteer as soon as we declare war."

"Oh, Laurie!"

That was all she said, but it was enough. Again he turned away from her and looked into the fire.

"I want to talk to you about it sometime," he went on. "Not now, of course. I'm going in for the aviation end. That's my game."

"Yes, it would be," she corroborated, almost inaudibly.

"I've been thinking about it a lot," he repeated. There was an intense, unexpected relief in this confidence, which he had made to no one else but Bangs, and to him in only a casual phrase or two. "That's one reason why it has been hard for me to get down to work on a new play, as Bangs and Epstein have been bounding me to do. I was afraid I couldn't keep my mind on it. All I can think of, besides you—" he hesitated, then went on rather self-consciously—"are those fellows over there, and the tremendous job they're doing. I want to help. I'm going to help. But I'm not going into it with any illusions about military bands and pretty uniforms and grand-stand plays. It's the best job in the world today, and it's got to be done. But what I see in it in the meantime are blood and filth and stench and suffering and horror and a limitless, stoical endurance. And—well, I know I'm going. But I can't quite see myself coming home."

Save for his revelation on the morning they met, this was the longest personal confidence Laurence Devon had ever made to another human being except his sister Barbara. At its end, as she could not speak, he watched her for a moment in silence, already half regretting what he had said. Then she rose with a fiercely abrupt movement, and going to the window stood looking at the storm. He followed her and stood beside her.

"Laurie," she said suddenly.

"Yes?"

"I can't stand it."

"Can't stand it?"

He repeated her words almost absently. His eyes were on a stocky figure moving among the trees below. It kept in constant motion and, he observed with pleasure, it occasionally stamped its feet and swung its arms as if suffering from the cold.

"I can't stand this situation."

"Then we must clear it up for you."

He spoke reassuringly. His eyes still on the active figure. "Is that one of our keepers, down there?"

She nodded.

"He has instructions to watch the front entrance and windows. There's another man watching the rear."

"I hope he hasn't a nice little bottle of chloroform in his overcoat pocket, or vitriol," murmured Laurie, reflectively. "By the way," he turned to her with quickened interest, "something tells me it's long after lunch time. Is there any reason why we shouldn't eat?"

She smiled.

"None whatever. The toolbox contains all the things a well-regulated lexicon is supposed to hold. I overheard Shaw and his secretary discussing their supplies."

"Good! Then we'll release Mother Fagin long enough to let her cook some of them."

He stroiled to the bedroom door. On a chair facing it the woman sat and gazed at him with her fierce eyes.

"Would you like a little exercise?" he politely inquired. There was no change of expression in the hostile face. "Because if you would," he went on, "and if you'll give me your word not to cry out, give any kind of alarm or signal, or start anything whatever, I'll take that bandage off your mouth and let you cook lunch for us and for yourself."

The fierce eyes set, then wavered. He waited patiently. At last the head nodded and he expeditiously untied the bandage.

"The very best you've got, please," he instructed. "And I hope you can cook. If you can't, I'll have to do it myself. I'm rather gifted that way."

"I can cook," avowed the old woman sullenly.

"Good work! Then go on your job. You've got to go into your kitchen any of the gentlemen out in the grounds, or to release the secretary, restrain it. What wouldn't like it in here. They wouldn't like it at all."

A strange grimace twisted the woman's sardonic features. He interpreted it rightly.

"I'm glad you agree with me," he said. "Now, brook trout, please, and broiled chickens, and early strawberries and clotted cream."

She looked at him with a return of the stolid expression that was her habitual one.

"We ain't got any of those things," she declared.

"We ain't?" Her guest was pained. "What have we got?"

"We got ham and eggs and lettuce and milk and coffee and squash pie."

He sighed.

"They will do," he said resignedly. "Do you think you could have them ready in five minutes?"

The luncheon was a cheerful meal, for Laurie made it so. When it was finished, he went to the kitchen wing, opened it, and carefully arranged several hot dogs and sandwiches in a row.

"For the birds," he explained. "For the cold little birds out in the grounds."

"This storm will be a good thing for us," he mentioned to Doris, when they had returned to the upstairs sitting room. "It will be dark soon after four, and the snow will cover our foot-steps. But I'm inclined to think," he added, reflectively, "that before we start I'd better get out and truss up those two birds in the grounds."

She showed an immediate apprehension.

"No, no! you mustn't think of that!" she cried. "Promise me you won't."

"As you wish, of course. But if they interfere when we're getting started, surely you'll let me rock them to sleep, won't you?"

She did not move, but gave him a look that made him thoughtful. It was an odd, sidelong look, frightened but watchful. He remembered that once or twice before she had given him such a look. More than anything else that had happened, this glance chilled him. It was not thus that the woman he loved should look at him.

Suddenly he heard her gasp, and the next instant the silence of the room was broken by another voice, a voice of concentrated rage with a snarl running through it.

"So you're here, are you?" It jerked. "By G—d, I'm sick of you and of your d-d interference!"

He turned. Shaw was standing just inside the door. But he was not the sleek, familiar, torpid figure of recent encounter. He seemed mad, clean through, fighting mad. His jaws were set; his sleek head and heavy shoulders were thrust forward as if he were ready to spring, and his protuberant eyes had lost their haze and held a new and unpleasant light.

But, angry though he appeared, Herbert Ransome Shaw was talking no chances in this encounter with his undesired guest. Behind him shone the snow-sung countenance of the blond secretary, and on each side he was flanked by another man. Powerful fellows these two seemed, evidently Italian laborers, gazing at the scene uncomprehendingly, but ready for any work their master set them. In stolid, unflinching silence, he stared at the tableau, while eight eyes unwinkingly stared back at him. Then he nodded.

"Well, Bertie," he said pleasantly, "you're outdoing yourself in the size of this delegation. Four to one. Quite some odds." His voice changed. "You contemptible coward! Why don't you take me on alone? Have you got your chloroform?"

The complexion of Shaw, red with cold, darkened to an apoplectic purple.

"You'll soon find out what we've got," he barked, "and what's coming to you. Now, are you going to put up a fight against four, or will you go quietly?"

"I think," said Laurie thoughtfully, "I'd rather go quietly. But just where is it I'm going?"

"You'll soon know," Shaw was carrying a coil of rope, light but strong, and now he tossed it to one of the Italians.

"The hip up," he curtly ordered.

"Oh, no," said Laurie, backing a step. "Tut, tut! I wouldn't advise that. I really wouldn't. It would be one of those rash acts you read about."

Something in his voice checked the forward stride of the Italian with the rope. He hesitated, glancing at Shaw. With a gesture, the latter ordered the two men through the door.

"Wait just outside," he directed. He turned to Laurie. "Out you go!"

Laurie hesitated, glancing at Doris, but he could not meet her eye. At the window, with her back to the room, she stared out at the storm. Even in that moment her attitude stunned him. Also, he felt an unconquerable aversion to anything in the nature of a struggle before her. Perhaps, once outside the room, he could take on those ruffians, together or in turn.

Without another word, he crossed the threshold into the hall. Before him hurried the two Italians. Behind him crowded Shaw and the secretary. He walked forward six strides. Then, as the side railing of the stairway rose beside him, he saw his opportunity.

He struck out right and left with all his strength, flooring one of the Italians and sending the second helpless against the wall. In the next instant he had leaped over the slender rail of the stairway, landed half-way down the stairs, and made a jump for the front door.

As he had expected, the door was

locked. Shaw, if he had entered that way, had not been too hurried to attend to this little detail. Laurie had just time to brace his back against it when the four men were upon him.

If he could have taken them on one by one he could have snapped their necks in turn, and he would have done so without compunction. As it was, with four leaping at him simultaneously, he called on all his reserve strength, his skill in boxing, and the strategy of his football days.

His first blow went the blond secretary to the floor, where he lay motionless. After that it was hard to distinguish where blows fell. What Devon wanted and was striving to reach was the throat of Shaw, but the slippery thing eluded him.

He fought on with hands and feet, even kicking, against these odds, on the sly, as he had learned in Paris. Blood flowed from his nose, his ear and his lip. Shaw's face was bleeding, too, and soon one of the Italians had joined the meek young secretary in his slumbers on the floor. Then Laurie felt his head agonizingly twisted backward, heard the creak of a rusty bolt, and, in the next instant, was hurled headlong through the doorway, opened door, to the snow-covered veranda.

As he pulled himself up, crouching for a return spring, Shaw, disheveled and breathless on the threshold, jerkily addressed him.

"Try it again if you like, you young devil," he panted, "but remember one thing: the next time you won't get off so easily."

He was out of it, but he had left Doris behind. The fact sickened him. So did the ignominy of his departure. He was not even to be followed. His absence was all the gain desired. His impulse was to force the door and again face the four of them. But he realized that he could accomplish nothing against such odds, and certainly, as a prisoner in the house, he would be up with Shaw's infernal rope.

He would do as he used to do, Doris or himself. He decided to return to the garage and get his car and the weapon he had left there. Then, if the four still wanted to fight, he would show them something that might take the spirit out of them.

Having arrived at this sane conclusion, he turned away from the silent house, and, hatless and coatless as he was, hurriedly made his way through the heavy snow-drifts toward the public road.

CHAPTER XIV

Mr. Shaw Decides to Talk

At the garage he found Burke faithful to his trust and with an alert eye out for more five-dollar bills. The proprietor temporarily lost sight of these, however, in his sudden and vivid interest in the new patron's appearance.

Laurie answered his questions with a word that definitely checked the further development of curiosity. Then, biding over the stove, and warming his icy, soaked feet, he curiously noted his intentions. He was going to change back into his own clothes, he explained, and he would want his car at five o'clock sharp. This, he estimated, would give Burke a little more than half an hour in which to get his mental processes started again and to have the car ready.

Burke whistled inaudibly. Obviously the joke he had played had not panned out to the young man's taste. Burke was sorry for that. His experience had been that with these young "rounders" generosity went hand in hand with success and its attendant exhilaration; and that when depression set in, as it obviously had done in this instance, sudden paralysis numbed the open palm.

However, even granting that this was so, he had already been largely overpaid for anything he had done or might still be expected to do. He nodded his response to the young man's instructions, and though he was not a subtle person, he succeeded in conveying at the same time a sense that of his sympathy with the natural annoyance of a high-spirited, practical joker whose joke had plainly miscarried. Ordinarily his attitude would have amused Devon, but Laurie was far from his sense of humor just now. Still whistling softly, Burke departed, to make a final inspection of the car, leaving Laurie the sole occupant of the cramped and railed-in corner that represented the private office.

That young man was in the grip of a characteristic Devon rage, and as he rapidly got back into his own clothing his fury mounted until the blood pounded at his temples. He dared not let himself sum up the case against Shaw, though the manner in which he had been kicked out savored strongly of contempt. Evidently Shaw didn't care where he was, so long as he was outside of the house.

Neither dared he sum up the case against Doris, though he could not for a moment banish from his mind the picture of her as she had stood with her back to him and his four assailants. Why had she stood thus? Because she was indifferent to any fate that befell him? Or because she was numbed by her own misery? Crowding forward with these questions was a sick fear for her, alone in that sinister house with four thugs and an old hawk whose human quality seemed to be a sardonic sense of humor exercised at his, Laurie's, expense.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

THE KILLING OF BLACK DOE

By TRENTON CLURE

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PERHAPS, Dunn should never have joined the Northwestern mounted police, for of all types of men who are out of their element there, the moody, introspective, unaggressive man comes easily first. But Dunn had had a hankering after the military life when he went out to Calgary two years before.

Now he was in for several years, and cursing his luck daily. What he liked best was the lonely patrols up in the Big Lake country.

He had met Marie Dufour there, the daughter of an old trapper who had retired, like his far-reaching boots, before the march of civilization. He had seen her three times during the past two years, and he had been understood that when he became a corporal he was to speak to her father.

But the coveted stripes would never be his so long as Sergeant Mitchell remained in the squadron. A hard-featured, service-bitten man, Mitchell made Dunn's life wretched. He inspected his uniform with an eagle eye, and he discovered the smallest speck or flaw, he flouted him before his officers on trivial charges. In short, he did his best to break Dunn or force him out of the service.

It was a long time before Dunn discovered that Mitchell had met Marie in the Big Lake country the year before and coveted her beauty. When Dunn understood this he privately resolved that some day he would even up the score between them. For the present he remained quietly in barracks, doing his duty and suffering under Mitchell's ill-treatment.

The quiet life was interrupted by one of those periodical excitements that descended upon the barracks. Black Doe had shot a police officer at Neversport, and was making for the Big Lake country. Mitchell was ordered to take two troopers and get him.

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and was drawing her toward him. Crum was nowhere in sight.

Then Dunn knew what he meant to do. He crept back very softly to the stable and loaded his rifle. He took it in his arms, carrying it as a mother might her first-born, and approached the door again.

Mitchell held the girl in his arms now, and she was struggling as he tried to kiss her. Dunn, aiming deliberately, was conscious of the open door at the back of the shack, and a clump of dwarf fir about a hundred yards distant. Then he concentrated his attention upon Mitchell. Carefully he drew a bead on him so as to avoid hitting the girl.

Bang!

Mitchell leaped into the air, flung out his arms, and pitched head foremost. Dunn stepped into the shack. There was no need to look more than once at the dead face, or the blood oozing from the heart.

Marie ran to Dunn, sobbing wildly. "You did right, the best!" she cried. "Come with me," said Dunn.

They raced to the stables, and in a moment he had freed the horses, saddled them, and placed her on the sergeant's. In another moment they were galloping across the barrens. At the time Dunn was conscious of wondering where old Dufour and Crum were. But a moment later they heard shouts behind them. They galloped frantically forward, anywhere, so long as they could win free.

Crum was a man of resolution, and Dunn knew that he would take up the chase and never leave it. He reckoned on the fact that Crum's horse was the slowest of the three. The freshly falling snow would hide their tracks if they could win the country across the river bed, where a series of hummocks swelled into the Big Lake mountains.

Far behind him Dunn heard a shout. He turned and looked back where he rode. Crum was standing at the door of the stable, waving his arms to him.

A few minutes later Dunn, looking back, saw Crum mounted and in pursuit of them, a tiny figure upon a tiny horse. They rode madly for the dip toward the river.

"We must be careful," said Marie, as they began the descent. "The rocks are dangerous."

Even as she spoke her horse stumbled on a projecting boulder, tripped, and flung her face downward upon the hard bed of the frozen stream.

Dunn leaped from his horse and knelt beside her. She had been stunned by the fall; she opened her eyes and looked about her half-conscious.

The horse scrambled to its feet, ran up the bank, and raced back toward the stable, followed by Dunn's horse. And Dunn, kneeling at Marie's side, knew that chance had settled his particular problem. And in the distance Crum came on inexorably.

Dunn shrugged his shoulders as one who has played his last card. He carried the girl up to the top of the bank and waited for Crum, who came galloping up on his horse. He flung himself to his feet, panting, like his steed.

"What's the matter with you, to play this crazy trick after killing him?" he shouted.

Dunn smiled. "I guess you're right, Crum," he said. "Take the girl on your saddle! I'll walk. You can trust me."

Crum, staring at him in apparent perplexity, lifted Marie to the saddle before him. She had fallen into a swoon again. Then he rode slowly back toward the cabin, with Dunn walking a little distance in front of him.

He turned his horse away when near the stable, and went toward the little patch of stunted trees that had struck upon Dunn's attention at the moment when he raised his rifle. Dunn saw the motionless body of a man lying hidden among them. It was Black Doe.

"How did you get him, Dunn?" asked Crum, dismounting and turning the body over. "See! He had just fired. You were in the nick of time."

KING'S ENGLISH VS. "SLANGUAGE"



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HERE are the slang words of yesterday? Gone, most of them, back into the vacuum from which they came, and then into oblivion. Some of them may survive for a few weeks or months before they disappear. A smaller number will persist for years or more, then find their way into our dictionaries. They will be labeled thus: (Slang) or (Slang), for the king's English is as conservative as the English king, and to that destination of our usage, and no upstart word need for admission unless it can show kind of ancestry to justify its being into Word Society. Even of course, it may appear in the Blue Book without the stigma of (Slang) or (Colloquial) attached, but the period of probation is a long one. And thus are new words born.

Do remember the favorite slang words or expressions of ten years ago, or even a year ago? How long has it been since you told a friend to "skiddoo" or exclaimed "you kid" or declared that your boss has gone "bloody"? Or, for that matter, how recently have you retorted "Is your old man"? To say that slang is in change as rapidly as the fashion in women's dress is an understatement of the speed with which Americans add to the bright new of youth and then discard the extravaganzas as worn-out and

that applies, of course, to the majority of the current slang phrases. They are the ones which can offer no biological ancestry to justify their presence. But for such a word as "bloody," which the lexicographer labels as (British soldiers' slang) and can point back to the ancient "bloody," meaning "body," or to the Urdu, an obscure eastern dialect, "khurbi" meaning "body," there is a good chance that it will become an English word in good and regular use. The same is true of hootch, a word of Alaskan origin which came to the Indians of that territory, and then to the French, meaning "drunk" or "drunken," and the Spanish, meaning "drunk" or "drunken."

Why do we use slang, anyway? There are at least three good reasons. One is that a scholar who has a special study of the subject, is for relief from monotony. No matter how lacking in real life the slang word or phrase is,

it offers a welcome change from the stale, customary words of our everyday speech. The second motive is usually humorous intent, and bits of slang which contain some element of humor have more chance to persist than others. An example is the word "bliver" which was coined less than fifteen years ago, but which seems to persist and to be gaining general acceptance as a word in common usage which leads to good usage and to eventual incorporation in the language because it is intrinsically an amusing word. The third motive for use of slang, according to this scholar, is to avoid clumsy words, and a short, one-syllable word, even though it is slangy, becomes a recognized synonym for a longer, two or three-syllable word. To many persons it is easier to say "bean," "bone" or "plunk" than to say "dollar," and to refer to a crazy person as a "nut" rather than as a "lunatic."

But slang at its best is exemplified in the coining of a new word, or the adaptation of an old one, to utter a striking, picturesque characterization, and the slang word often provides the exact shade of meaning which the more proper word would utterly fail to do. A pioneer expression for an inefficient and useless person was, "he's a do-louse fellow." Modern slang has improved upon that. Could there be any more apt and to-the-point characterization of an ineffectual individual than to borrow two words from the realm of motordom and say that he is a "flat tire"? Isn't that about the ultimate in expressing the acme of uselessness?

It is traditional that American slang should be troublesome to England, the home of the mother tongue and with the increasing interchange of American and English literature and drama the English have become more and more concerned about it. An American play in London has been a failure because there was so much American slang in it, and in issuing some of our novels English publishers have found it necessary to print a glossary of American slang phrases so that English readers can understand them. This, however, leads to some amusing blunders, as witness the explanations given in the English edition of Sinclair Lewis' "Babbalanja." Here the English reader is informed that "heck" in "by heck" is the "familiar for Heebah, a New England deity," a "go-getter" is "one who pursues business or information," a "hoodlum" is a "crank," a "one-over" is a "trial," and a "freshman hop" is a "college dancing club."

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But the English are valiantly trying to understand us. An English society, the "S. P. E." (Society for Preservation of English or Society for Purity of English, perhaps), has secured the services of an American professor to help them "get up to our lingo." Prof. Fred Newton Scott of the University of Michigan, an authority on rhetoric, has compiled a dictionary of American slang phrases which has been published as "S. P. E. Tract No. XXIV" to aid English readers who are struggling with American novels. Here are the first 33 of the expressions. There are approximately 200 more, but these will give us some idea of the sort of "slanguage" which has our British cousins puzzled:

All in—exhausted.
Applesauce—(noun or interjection). One of the latest pieces of slang in this country. It has two quite distinct meanings: (1) nonsense! and (2) flattery. It is commonly used as a term of jocular contempt in reply to effusive but unjustifiable flattery. Attaboy! (from baby-talk for "that's a boy!")—ho! bravo!
Balled up—stalled; confused, and so unable to go on.
Bat—oppose, good time.
Bat round—have a good time, go from place to place (in quest of pleasure).
Bawl out—to rebuke sharply, scold violently (transitive verb).
Beat—head.
Beat—to hit on the head.
Beat it—go, get out!
Beat the living tar out of—give a good drubbing to.
Believe me (sometimes expanded to "believe you me")—take my word for it.
Belphoebe—a page in a hotel.
That's the berries—that's just right.
Blah, (blah)—blunder, foolish talk.
Blab-mouth—indiscreetly loquacious person.
Blowhard—boaster (not unknown).
Blow in—spend.
Blow to a dinner—give a dinner to.
Blurb (a noun) is a term applied to any publisher's announcement, especially to passages of fulsome laudation on the jackets of newly-published books. The word is now used broadly to cover the brief summaries, analyses, and appreciations (usually in smaller type) that often precede magazine stories and articles. Admirable word, indispensable.
Bo (from hobo)—friend, pal.
Bone-dull—stupid person.
Boob—dunce, one easily misled.
Boost—to promote, to push, to laud.
Booster—indiscreet promoter.
Bootlegger—one who smuggles strong drink. Now well known.
Booze-fighter—drunkard.
Booze-hoisting—drinking liquor.
Bring home the bacon—secure results.
Buck—oppose.
Buck—dollar.
Build-up—to compel by a show of force, to bully.

maize, the popular blues and in fact every desirable new color. Some in introduce the suggestion of a jacquard patterning like the material employed for the charming porch frock in the picture to the left.

Whether one makes one's own or buys ready-made one's daytime washable frocks, the two models here portrayed cannot but prove of interest. From the standpoint of fabric they are inspirational for each is fashioned of rayon novelty goods, the kind which hinders to perfection.

In the styling of these frocks many interesting trends of the mode are revealed. One realizes that the simple bungalow apron-frock is being displaced by dresses of careful and finished design such as may be appropriately and becomingly worn at any hour of the day.

Among style points observed in the early collection of washable daytime frocks, are such items as the blouse effect, the bolero, skirts with subtle platings to gain fullness, and, good news to all, short sleeves are considered as proper as long ones for the coming season.

Pipings of contrasting color finish many a neat made dress. The composite theme is being exploited in the realm of wash frocks, such as a solid-color material with a print or a plaid.

Of a more sophisticated styling is the afternoon dress of green and black silk velvet. In this handsome French creation Jean Magnin combines the medieval with the modern, in that the flowing sleeves are reminiscent of the Middle Ages, while the scalloped and tiered skirt, also the blouse waistline, is of the present.

So much a part of the season's styling is the sleeve, that even in tailored cloth models a slight bell effect is introduced at the wrist.

Another method of achieving novelty for the sleeve is that of adding cuffs oddly designed and conspicuous because of their hugeness, some reaching more than half-way to the elbow. When the fullness is gathered into

the wristband, as it often is, then elaborate embroidery emphasizes these puff effects. Outwork embroidery is the newest whim. It is employed for many lovely resort frocks such as are adding such zest to the mode.

Sleeves pin-tucked at the top, released at the elbow so as to allow fullness to the wrist, feature the incoming soft crepe frocks.

Now that sleeve bracelets encircling to the elbow are the late fad, the flowing sleeve should be welcomed, especially when left open at the forearm, for it will charmingly display this item of smart costume jewelry.



Two Smart Washable Frocks.

PLAIDED RAYON FEATURED; QUAIN FLOWING SLEEVES

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Among the prettiest new rayon wash fabrics are handsome plaids delicately wrought with interweavings of lustrous rayon, on soft sheer backgrounds, some in lavender, rose,

arrivals convey the interesting style message that sleeves have again been elected to serve as a foremost interpreter of the mode. Especially is the quaint gracefully flowing sleeve being featured. Because of their unaffected simplicity the new flowing sleeves are of beguiling charm. The naive manner of sewing the lower flowing portion at the elbow, is accented in two of the frocks in this picture. In each instance flat crepe is the selected fabric for the gown. The model to the right adopts the popular redingote styling. Very girlish is the dress to the left, which is in rose-beige trimmed with ribbon ruching.

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Children should grow up familiar with the great art paintings of the world, yet one cannot often have frequent contact with the art master. The pictures will become more a part of the child life if they are every day about the home. Fine pictures can often be cut out of magazines or prints can be purchased for a very small price and framed in simple frames from the 10-cent store.

What Is a Highbrow?
The Forum's prize definitions of a "highbrow" are rather disappointing. "A 'highbrow,' one competitor says, 'is a chap who has evolved and knows about it.'" Another says it is the

Exercised His Pigeons
Commuters were hurrying from the Grand Central station at New York when one of them noticed a fellow-traveler stop and balance a crateline suitcase against a news stand. Something about his methodical actions caused her to stop and look. One by one the man took twelve pigeons out of the crate and liberated them. Curiosity prompted the woman to ask where the man was sending the pigeons.

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